

PAYETTE CITY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 11, 2013

Roll Call: Claire Ames, Erica Bazil, Stephen Cook, and Colleen Bonnell.

John Held had notified the Board that he was unable to attend.

Guest Sharon Beland was present.

Claire Ames called the meeting to order at 5:30.

Erica Bazil moved and Stephen Cook seconded to approve the May 14, 2013 minutes as amended. All approved.

Claire Ames moved and Erica Bazil seconded to approve the bills. All approved. Claire Ames asked what the bill from Art McGram entailed. Colleen Bonnell stated that he had offered us some books in bulk at a very good price.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- We have started using the Biblionix automation system. We are still discovering new things every day. The customers are excited that they have access to their records, and the card catalog online.
- Summer Reading Program has started. We started last Tuesday and have handed out over 350 reading logs. The Summerwind Skippers gave a performance on Thursday that 403 people attended. A non-resident card was given as an incentive. The FOPPL group provided the card as part of their scholarship promotion. There will be a magic show this Thursday.
- FOPPL purchased an AWE computer for the library. It is a computer that has educational games for children. It is not connected to the internet. We will put it in the children's area of the library.

In last month's minutes the Library Director's report stated that 100's of children go through the library to take tours. The Board would like to know the actual number. Colleen Bonnell will have that number at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Discussion on 5-Year Plan

Erica Bazil stated that she had not received a copy of the final draft from Amy Brown on the 5-Year Plan. We will table the discussion until the next meeting and present it to City Council next month.

B. Budget 2013-2014

Colleen Bonnell showed the Library Board the preliminary budget that she had turned into the City of Payette. She stated that she had met with Mayor Jeff Williams, Mary Cordova and Jennifer Kelley to discuss the budget. They helped her figure some numbers for the library budget.

Colleen Bonnell stated that they had asked if there were ways to raise additional revenue for the library. There was also the suggestion on whether non-resident fees should be raised. Mary Cordova had stated that a home that paid on \$89,500 with a homeowner's exemption paid

approximately \$89 per year for library use. Stephen Cook stated he doesn't want the dues to be raised. He feels that it will become too expensive for families. He stated that the pool fees have become too high for his family to afford.

Discussion was held on the meeting room being underutilized and that we need to market it to the public. The Board felt the hours that it is available are not always the hours the public needs the meeting room.

Colleen Bonnell stated that she had talked to the Idaho Commission for Libraries and they had stated that trusts were a good option for libraries. The Board discussed how we should market this to the public.

Sharon Beland then spoke. She stated she felt that the library needs to review their policies on Interlibrary Loans. She felt that the library needs to charge a fee for each time they order an item from another library. This would help to offset the cost of postage to receive the item. She feels people will respect the item more if they are charged a fee. Stephen Cook stated that the Salem, Oregon library had charged a small fee for reserves when he used their library.

Another option was to partnership with someone that allows them to have audio-visual equipment in the meeting room and there would be a fee charged to use it. The library would receive a percentage of the fee and the partner would receive a percentage.

There was also the suggestion of putting a coffee bar in the library as discussed in the beginning of expansion plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Policy for Unattended Children

The City of Payette's Policy for unattended children was discussed. This is the policy for all city buildings.

Public Comments:

Adjourn: Stephen Cook moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20. All approved.